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Do you get Liaisons Dangereuse? Hor poop! In my involvement with Diplomacy and especially the DipOrg, I have run into more than a couple of foolish people. BUT!, none nothing has been as bad as the recent claptrap I received recently of the Mimeo of Len Lakofka. You had to see it to believe it and you thought John Beshara was bad---oy vay!

because I'm sure no one else will know what he is talking about wither.

Well, now Len wants his way! We should follow his ultimatums--right? Hah! or maybe not? Goody this is a lot of fun; we have Lenny Stalin to the leftt and John Hitler to the rightt.....no no, it must be the other way Johnny Stlin to the left and Lenny Hitler to the right---ahh who cares.

Lenny, baby--I ask you, if you didn't want to work within the DraftComm, why did you come crying to me, begging that I let you on. You know we haven't been playing secrecy games. The CA is available to anyone for an SSAE; and you had the addresses of all the members of the DRAFTCOMM, so you could have wrote them with your ideas. But it is easier to make charges and smear isn't it Lenny. I know you learned this well when running for President of IFW. Now when can we expect you to trot out all your little stooges?

Perhaps, as I have long felt, this is naught but an exercise in futility. The only organization that did succeed in accomplishing anything was the NFFFGBDD under Rod Walker and even a number of crybabies tried to jam that. There are too many people who have to have their own way or else they'd just as soon tear down the accomplishments of others, like the Besharas, Reinsels, Tretlicks, Boardmans and even the Metzkes. Well, none of them have the answer, and Lakofka doesn't have the answer. Oh, by the way, Lennie in no way speaks for the DraftComm, the interim Constitution or what constitutes membership in any DipOrg governed by the above. His severe case of sour grapes may sour the concept of DipOrg for a couple of years, but then we aren't ready for it perhaps. As for our wonderman Lenny---wouldn't it be nice if he waited to run for office and promised to obey the rules that govern an organization that then just announcing he has become god--good grief another God of Diplomacy.

Committee. From what I hear, it's not too late to join, but I don't know for sure. If you wish to ratify, work continues on the Final Constitution. Cost for the DipOrg is \$2 annually. The real thing behind organizations of this kind is that there has to be enough willing workers or else the organization collapses or becomes an object to be manipulated by people like Beshara and Lakofka. A good constitution can help prevent takeovers, but only people can prevent collapse. In a sentence--if you want it or need it, then work for it, especially now. The interim Con requires 7 officers. If you can organize and/or want to be in on the growth, write Walt Buchanan now.

MORE GAMES

Gods yes! DIPODUEER #8 is aforming with four players already paid up; Larry Fong, Bob van Andel, Roger Oliver and John Casey. Three to go.

I'll run more Origins of WWII games and how about a game of SLEUTH??

REPLACEMENTS NEEDED

I believe I'll need replacements for Len Howard in games 197OK (germany) and 197OAP (turkey). Mark WEidmark gets first crack at these, then anyother of the newer players, but no one rejected. Cost is ZERO. Might also need replacement for Larry St Cyr in 1968CC (Italy). Has anyone ~~xxxx~~ noticed that Wayne Harris is the only original player left in game 1969AC--that is worth another 50% in your deduction to Wayne for any game now forming.

BIRSAN NUMBERS

Edi Birsan of 48-20 39th St LIC, NY 11104 is originating numbers for Origins of WWII games, the same as the Boardman numbers does for Dip games. He already has worked out a rating system. I strongly urge all GMS to cooperate with Edi on this so that it goes smoothly. Edi will be publishing shortly. Encourage your GMS to use the Birsan numbers for ORIGINS games.

NEW BLOOD

this sounds so Dracular-heh heh heh!

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OTHER GAME OPENINGS

NEOPHYTE Len Lakofka 1806 N Richmond, Chicago IL 60647 for \$3 also Origins for \$2.

That is all I know about for sure.

PROTECT YOURSELF

Miss a move--too bad dummy. you can send me future or standing orders or duplicated orders. Make your spring moves and send me your fall moves at same time, you can always correct or change them. I'll also call you collect if I have not heard from you if you give me your permission and phone number--only Wayne Harris has agreed to this. I used to publish all palyers phone numbers, but then got out of the habit, if you like a I'll print your phone number next to your name next issue.

Everybody who needs a set of rules got them? extra set costs 16¢ Everyone in game DR and DW should have a set.